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June 16, 2009

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS:
SENATE BILL 1953 SEISMIC RETROFIT PROGRAM
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. - MULTISERVICE AMBULATORY CARE CENTER
AND RANCHO LOS AMIGOS NATIONAL REHABILITATION CENTER
AUTHORIZE REQUEST FOR SENATE BILL 306 EXTENSION
(SECOND AND FOURTH DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

Approve and authorize submission of a request to the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development for Senate Bill 306 Extension of the compliance deadline for Senate Bill 1953 seismic retrofit requirements for the Martin Luther King, Jr.-Multiservice Ambulatory Care Center and Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Approve and authorize the Director of Public Works to submit applications to the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development requesting to revise the Senate Bill 1953 seismic retrofit compliance deadline from January 1, 2013 to January 1, 2020 for the Martin Luther King, Jr.-Multiservice Ambulatory Care Center and Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center, and to submit payment of a \$1,000 filing fee for each facility as authorized under Senate Bill 306.

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PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended action will allow the Department of Public Works (Public Works) to submit a request for Martin Luther King, Jr.-Multiservice Ambulatory Care Center (MLK-MACC) and Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center (RLANRC) to the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD) for an extension of the Senate Bill (SB) 1953 compliance deadline from January 1, 2013 to January 1, 2020 under the provisions of SB 306.

SB 306

Under the original SB 1953 legislation, hospitals can request a 7-year extension from the 2013 deadline. The seismic safety requirements under SB 306 allow hospital owners that are financially unable to seismically retrofit the existing hospital to comply with the 2013 deadline requirements to instead replace the existing buildings with a new compliant building by January 1, 2020.

In December 2000, your Board adopted the SB 1953 compliance plan for the County's six hospitals with a completion deadline date of January 1, 2008. In April 2006, your Board approved and OSHPD subsequently concurred with the County's applications for an up to 5-year extension to the compliance deadline for SB 1953 with the exception of High Desert Hospital. Regarding High Desert Hospital, your Board approved a revision to the SB 1953 compliance plan to convert the hospital into an outpatient facility. In November 2006, your Board approved the extension to January 1, 2013, for Olive View-UCLA Medical Center.

To date, one hospital SB 1953 project has been completed or are under construction. LAC+USC Medical Center was completed in October 2008, Olive View-UCLA Medical Center's emergency department is under construction and anticipated to be completed in August 2011, and Harbor-UCLA Medical Center is under construction and anticipated to be completed in November 2011.

RLANRC/MLK-MACC

MLK-MACC and RLANRC are the two remaining County hospitals that require compliance with SB 1953. Approval of the SB 306 Extension application will allow the County time to properly plan and construct the MLK-MACC and RLANRC facilities to be in compliance with SB 1953 and remain in service beyond 2030. In order to be eligible for an SB 306 Extension, the following conditions must be met: 1) submission by June 30, 2009, of an extension application and a \$1,000 filing fee; 2) completion of a facility master or campus plan by January 1, 2010; 3) submission of plans for plan

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check by January 1, 2013; 4) obtaining a building permit by January 1, 2015; and 5) completion of construction by January 1, 2020.

The RLANRC plan, approved by your Board in April 2006, is to consolidate inpatient operations in the Jacqueline Perry Institute with support services in an adjacent building, construct new outpatient buildings, and renovate the existing Harriman building for administrative support functions, with anticipated construction completion by the end of 2014. Both project completion dates exceed the current January 1, 2013 deadline. In March 2009, as reported to your Board, the proposed MLK-MACC concept is to construct a new hospital with a separate emergency department. Currently, the facility license is in suspension. The current plan requires the emergency department to be reopened in the existing hospital building while the new emergency department building is constructed, with anticipated construction completion by 2014.

Sustainable Design Program

Not applicable to the recommendation.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provision of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Children, Family, and Adult Well-Being (Goal 2) by investing in public health center infrastructure to enhance the safety of the patients and staff.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The fee for the extension request application is \$1,000 each for a total of \$2,000.

Sufficient appropriation and funds are available in the Fiscal Year 2008-09 Capital Projects/Refurbishments Budget to fund the recommended action.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Provisions of SB 1953 require that the County apply for an extension under SB 306 no later than June 30, 2009.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

Approval of the recommended action is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because it can be seen with certainty that such approval will not have an environmental impact.

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CONTRACTING PROCESS

Not applicable.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the recommended action will allow the County to better manage the overall SB 1953 compliance program in a manner that will minimize the disruption of key medical services to the public.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Chief Executive Office (Capital Projects Division), and Department of Public Works (Project Management Division I).

Respectfully submitted,

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Department of Health Services (Capital Projects Division)

Department of Public Social Services (GAIN/GROW Program)

Department of Public Works

Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

Treasurer and Tax Collector